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YOSHITO HABA) Examiner: THIEN MINH LE
Application No.: 10/625,664) Group Art Unit: 2876
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents can be found in the relevant English abstract.

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We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2).

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

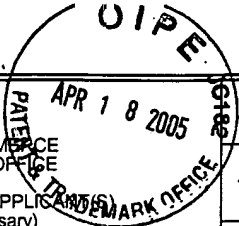
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,517,331	05/14/96	Murai et al.	358	486	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	02-291763	12/03/90	Japan			Abstract
	06-014159	01/21/94	Japan			Abstract (Counterpart U.S. 5,517,331)

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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